Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's) for BAA 05-023

- 1. In terms of funding for this effort, what FY funding will initially fund the awarded efforts?
 - A1: Work under the program will be funded beginning in FY08 (1 Oct 2007).
- 2. Does ONR anticipate a certain number of contract awards from BAA 05-23?
 - A2: The number of contracts awarded depends on the number of proposals received and evaluated in accordance with the Section V "Evaluation Information" on page 22 of the BAA. *The following is a hypothetical situation only:* ONR could award 10 contracts at about the \$2.5M level, or 25 contracts at the \$1M level. The number of awards and funding might also depend on the amount of funds awarded through mechanisms other than contracts.
- 3. Are there any matching funds or cost sharing required or recommended from offerors?
 - A3: There are no matching-fund or cost-sharing arrangements contemplated under this program.
- 4. For the White Papers, regarding the section titled 'Work Plan' -- Can you provide some guidance on what needs to be included in this section.
 - A4: The "Work Plan" portion of the Technical Section of the White Paper should describe the plan for accomplishing development of the proposed products. This might include the major tasks which are contemplated in order to develop the proposed product(s), and any special or unusual features or requirements of the proposed work.
- 5. The BAA states no more that 2 pages regarding the costs by product/tasks for White Papers. Are these 2 pages part of the 10 page limit?
 - A5: The Cost Section is separate from the Technical Section, so those two pages are not part of the 10 page limit.
- 6. How detailed do the task have to be? For example should it just describe the main components are do you want it drilled down to the subject testing level?
 - A6: Tasks descriptions should be as detailed as necessary to explain what work is being proposed, and to explain reasonableness of proposed costs and level of effort. This is a business decision on the part of the offeror.
- 7. I have called the technical/business point of contact and received no response. Why is this?
- A7: As stated in BAA 05-023, questions of a business or technical nature should be sent via e-mail to the points of contact listed on page 11 and 12.
 - 8. Is the schedule on page 21 of BAA 05-023 correct or is there a typo?
 - A8: The schedule, as it was posted, is correct. Keep in mind that contracts over \$100,000 for research and development can take upwards of 30-120 days.